

## Rebuttal to Argument Against Prop. 88

Please read Proposition 88 for yourself. It's a modest investment to help ensure students have updated textbooks, smaller classes and safer campuses.

Two ultra conservative special interest groups are opposing this measure, just like they've opposed other efforts to improve public education in our state. They have never proposed a solution to fix our schools. Instead, they hide behind a smokescreen of distortions and will say anything to stop Prop 88.

But don't just take our word for it. READ 88 FOR YOURSELF. Then please join teachers, parents, businesses and taxpayers around the state in voting YES on 88.

Prop 88 will:

- Ensure that teachers won't have to pay for classroom learning materials out of their own pocket.
- Protect students from gangs and violence on our school campuses.
- Reduce class sizes so students can get the attention they deserve.
- Keep the funds out of the hands of Sacramento politicians to ensure that EVERY DOLLAR goes to our local schools, and that EVERY COMMUNITY BENEFITS.
- Provide taxpayers and businesses an even stake in improving our schools.
- Require the most strict accountability requirements and standards ever proposed to make sure the funds don't get wasted.
- Protect the most vulnerable by exempting seniors and disabled homeowners.
- Ensure that homeowners are still protected from higher taxes due to increased property values.

Yes on Prop. 88 – It's a small investment with big returns -- smaller classes, new textbooks and more learning materials.

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